## **Maine Revised Statutes**

## Title 28-A: LIQUORS

## Chapter 51: CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL HOLDERS

## §1366. RETAIL SALES AT FARMERS' MARKET

1. **Retail sales at farmers' market.** A licensee under section 1355-A, subsection 3, paragraph B or subsection 4, paragraph B or an employee of the licensee who is at least 21 years of age may sell wine or malt liquor manufactured in the State by the licensee at a farmers' market pursuant to this section.

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[ 2011, c. 629, §24 (AMD) .]
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- **2**. **Definitions.** As used in this section, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.
  - A. "Farmer" means a natural person who sells, with or without processing, agricultural products raised by the person on land in the State owned or leased by the person. [2011, c. 280, §3 (NEW).]
  - B. "Farmers' market" has the same meaning as in Title 7, section 415, subsection 1, paragraph B. [2011, c. 280, §3 (NEW).]

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[ 2011, c. 280, §3 (NEW) .]
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- **3**. **Conditions.** A licensee under subsection 1 may sell wine or malt liquor at a farmers' market under the following conditions:
  - A. The licensee shall apply for and must have received authorization to sell at farmers' markets from the bureau and paid an annual fee of \$75. The application pursuant to this paragraph must be in a form determined by the bureau. The licensee shall submit the application at least 30 days prior to the date when wine or malt liquor is to be sold at a farmers' market; [2011, c. 280, §3 (NEW).]
  - B. Prior to each month during which the licensee wishes to sell at a farmers' market, the licensee shall provide to the bureau a list of the date, time and location of each farmers' market at which the licensee intends to sell and must receive approval from the bureau for that month; [2011, c. 280, §3 (NEW).]
  - C. The farmers' market must consist of at least 6 separate stalls or booths that sell farm or food products, not including alcoholic beverages, and must be authorized by the bureau under subsection 4; [2011, c. 280, §3 (NEW).]
  - D. The stall or booth operated by the licensee at the farmers' market is considered part of the licensed premises of the licensee for purposes of this chapter; [2011, c. 280, §3 (NEW).]
  - E. All wine and malt liquor must be prepackaged and sold by the bottle or case; and  $\,$  [ 2011,  $\,$  c. 280,  $\,$  § 3  $\,$  (NEW) . ]
  - F. Taste testing or sampling of wine and malt liquor is not permitted at the farmers' market. [2011, c. 280, §3 (NEW).]

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[ 2011, c. 280, §3 (NEW) .]
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**4. Farmers' market authorization.** At least 30 days prior to the sale of wine or malt liquor, a farmers' market must obtain municipal approval to sell wine and malt liquor under this section and apply for and receive authorization from the bureau for a licensee authorized under subsection 3, paragraph A to sell wine or malt liquor at the farmers' market. If the farmers' market is held on private property, the application must

include a written statement signed by the owner of the property permitting the sale of wine or malt liquor in accordance with this section. The bureau may request a diagram of the layout of the farmers' market. An application required by this subsection must be in a form determined by the bureau.

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[ 2011, c. 280, §3 (NEW) .]
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**5**. **Rules.** The bureau may adopt rules to carry out the purposes of this section. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules pursuant to Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

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[ 2011, c. 280, §3 (NEW) .]
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